

cosponsors of S. 37, a bill to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years.

S. 40

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 40, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide medicare beneficiaries with access to geriatric assessments and chronic care management, and for other purposes.

S. 44

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 44, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the amount of the military death gratuity from \$12,000 to \$100,000.

S. 50

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 50, a bill to authorize and strengthen the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's tsunami detection, forecast, warning, and mitigation program, and for other purposes.

S. 51

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 51, a bill to ensure that women seeking an abortion are fully informed regarding the pain experienced by their unborn child.

S. 77

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 77, a bill to amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve death benefits for the families of deceased members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. SESSIONS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 77, *supra*.

S. 103

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 103, a bill to respond to the illegal production, distribution, and use of methamphetamine in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 167

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 167, a bill to provide for the protection of intellectual property rights, and for other purposes.

S. 188

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 188, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2005 through 2011 to carry out the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.

S. 193

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S.

193, a bill to increase the penalties for violations by television and radio broadcasters of the prohibitions against transmission of obscene, indecent, and profane language.

S. 195

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 195, a bill to provide for full voting representation in Congress for the citizens of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 211

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 211, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of 2-1-1 telephone service for information and referral on human services, volunteer services, and for other purposes.

S. 215

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 215, a bill to amend the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act.

S. 223

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 223, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to repeal any weakening of overtime protections and to avoid future loss of overtime protections due to inflation.

S. CON. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 4, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Department of Defense should continue to exercise its statutory authority to support the activities of the Boy Scouts of America, in particular the periodic national and world Boy Scout Jamborees.

S. RES. 8

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 8, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the maximum amount of a Federal Pell Grant.

S. RES. 20

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 20, a resolution designating January 2005 as "National Mentoring Month".

MEASURES DISCHARGED

S. 45. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on

prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. CORZINE, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 224. A bill to extend the period for COBRA coverage for victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, one of the greatest domestic challenges facing our country today is the soaring cost of health care. It's a serious problem for millions of families. But when the chief income earner in a family suddenly becomes unemployed, the problem can be critical, and we give a helping hand. We give them the opportunity to continue their coverage through their employer for a reasonable period. Families who lost loved ones on September 11 deserve the same opportunity until they can land on their feet again.

The Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act I am introducing today in the Senate with Senator CORZINE and Senator LAUTENBERG, and Congressman MARKEY is introducing today in the House of Representatives, recognizes that many of the September 11 families are still struggling to recover and we have an obligation to assist them.

Some of the families have found ways to cover their health costs by purchasing private insurance or obtaining grant assistance on their own. For others, employers have agreed to provide coverage. For still other families, however, the safety net has fallen apart, because their coverage has expired under COBRA—the temporary low-cost continuation of coverage available under current Federal law for those who change their job, lose their job or for families that lose their chief income earner through death.

The Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act will give spouses and children of victims of September 11 the ability to purchase or continue to purchase coverage under COBRA indefinitely, as long as they enroll within 120 days after passage of the Act or 120 days after they lose their COBRA coverage. Eligibility for the program would expire only if they become eligible for Medicare.

The families of September 11 have shown great courage and extraordinary resilience. But we still have much more to do to help them on their long and arduous road to recovery, and I hope very much that we can pass this legislation this year. It will only affect a small number of families. But for them, it will make a world of a difference.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. INOUE, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 225. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program